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1. The methods of the Rumanian MAI, or militia, troops, and the regulations governing them have been copied from the Soviet MVD troops. MAI stands for troops of the Ministry of Interior, just as MVD stands for Ministerstvo Vnutrikh Del, or the Soviet Ministry of Interior Affairs. The Rumanian MAI is always trying to advance closer to the Soviet idea of perfection, coached by Soviet Commissars.
2. Special schools have now been established to perfect militia training and increase the cadres. Recruiting is based on social class standards. The recruits come from the devoted elements of the Communist Party, especially those who have actually shown a great deal of fidelity. Enlistment is normally for a three year period, though in cases of exceptional necessity, it can be prolonged indefinitely.
3. While the militia organization comes under the Interior Ministry, it also has responsibilities to the Central Committee of the Communist Party. The Ministry itself is expected to give an accounting, so far as the militia is concerned, before the presidency of the Council of Ministers.
4. Organization of the militia includes:
 - a. Command and staff of the MAI troops.
 - b. Political direction of the MAI troops, responsible to the Central Committee of the Rumanian Worker's Party (Communist) as well as to the staff.
 - c. Penal and legal direction
 - d. Direction of the militia (distinct from command and staff).

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5. The troops of the MAI include:
 - a. The Graniceri, or Frontier Guards
 - b. Interior security troops
 - c. Fire brigade troops
 - d. Aviation units of the MAI troops. These are under the command of Colonel Constantin Negulici.
6. Strength of the MAI troops has now reached 30 battalions, or a force of about 120,000 men. This does not include the "indicators," that is, individuals attached for service outside the cadre. All these troops and their staff are under the Political Direction of the Interior Ministry.

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